

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. **(Original)** An exhaust gas heat exchanger (20) having a tube bundle (21) composed of exhaust-gas tubes (22) and a bypass passage (23) in a common housing, the tube bundle being arranged in a first space, through which liquid coolant flows, and the bypass passage being arranged in a second, separate space, and the tube bundle and the bypass passage opening out into a common exhaust gas inlet region and a common exhaust gas outlet region, in which there is arranged an exhaust gas valve which is actuated by an actuating drive and guides the flow of exhaust gas through the tube bundle or the bypass passage, characterized in that the exhaust gas valve has a flexurally rigid, moveable (pivotal or slidable) closure member.
2. **(Original)** The exhaust gas heat exchanger as claimed in claim 1, characterized in that the closure member is designed as a pivotal half-flap (27), one longitudinal side (28) of which is secured to a drive shaft (30) arranged transversely with respect to the exhaust gas flow (A).
3. **(Original)** The exhaust gas heat exchanger as claimed in claim 2, characterized in that a partition (33) is arranged between the drive shaft (30) and the inlet cross sections of the tube bundle (21) and the bypass passage (23).
4. **(Currently amended)** The exhaust gas heat exchanger as claimed in claim 2 [[or 3]], characterized in that the half-flap (27) is arranged in a valve housing (25) with an approximately rectangular cross section of flow and alternately closes off one half of the cross section or the other half of the cross section.

5. **(Currently amended)** The exhaust gas heat exchanger as claimed in claim 2, ~~[[3 or 4]]~~, characterized in that the half-flap (27) closes in the exhaust gas direction of flow (A) and in the closed position is arranged obliquely with respect to the exhaust gas stream (A).
6. **(Original)** The exhaust gas heat exchanger as claimed in claim 1, characterized in that the closure member is designed as a pivot flap (41) with an approximately centrally arranged pivot pin (44) and two opposite sealing edges (42, 43), in that a partition (45) with a concave sealing surface (46) facing the pivot flap (41) is arranged between the pivot pin (44) and the inlet cross sections of the tube bundle (21) and of the bypass passage (23), and in that the downstream sealing edge (43) slides along the sealing surface (46) over the pivoting range.
7. **(Original)** The exhaust gas heat exchanger as claimed in claim 6, characterized in that the pivot flap (41) is arranged in a housing (40), the cross section of flow of which widens downstream of the pivot pin (44), to form flow-diverting regions (47, 48).
8. **(Original)** The exhaust gas heat exchanger as claimed in claim 1, characterized in that the closure member is designed as an angle flap (61) with two limbs (62, 63) arranged approximately at right angles to one another and a common apex, and can be pivoted about a pin (64) which runs through the apex, and in that one limb (62, 63) in each case covers an inlet cross section of the tube bundle (21) or of the bypass passage (23) while the other limb is oriented parallel to the exhaust gas flow (A).
9. **(Original)** The exhaust gas heat exchanger as claimed in claim 1, characterized in that the closure member is designed as a plate slide (74) that can move transversely with respect to the exhaust gas direction of flow (A) and has a cross-sectional area which approximately corresponds to half the cross section of flow.

10. **(Original)** The exhaust gas heat exchanger as claimed in claim 9, characterized in that the plate slide (74) is arranged immediately upstream of the inlet cross sections (22a, 23a) or downstream of the outlet cross sections of the exhaust gas cooler (20) and has two parallel longitudinal edges (74a, 74b) which are arranged slideably in housing-side guide grooves (72, 73).

11. **(Currently amended)** The exhaust gas heat exchanger as claimed in claim 9 ~~[[or 10]]~~, characterized in that an actuating rod (75) which is connected to the actuating drive (76) is secured to the plate slide (74).

12. **(Currently amended)** The exhaust gas heat exchanger as claimed in ~~one of the preceding claims~~ claim 1, characterized in that the actuating drives are designed as vacuum cells (49, 65, 76), the actuating member (50, 66, 75) of which drives the closure member (41; 61, 74).

13. **(Currently amended)** The use of the exhaust gas heat exchanger as claimed in ~~one of the preceding claims~~ claim 1 as an exhaust gas cooler (12) with integrated bypass passage (13) in an exhaust gas recirculation system (6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11) for motor vehicles, in particular with diesel engines.